

Metropolitan Historical Commission

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MHC UPDATE

New! RCA Studio B Listed in the National Register!

The National Park Service listed RCA Studio B in the National Register of Historic Places on July 10, 2012, officially recognizing the “Home of a Thousand Hits” for its local and **national** significance in the areas of performing arts and entertainment/recreation.

Additionally, the National Park Service recently featured RCA Studio B on its website, including a link to the nomination and photos:

www.nps.gov/nr/feature/weekly_features/12_07_20_RCA_Studio_B.htm. The Park Service highlights only one newly-listed property each week, so this is a terrific honor!

Thanks to Commissioner Don Cusic for “getting the ball rolling” with this project, and congratulations to Julie Robison, former intern with the Historical Commission, Dr. John Rumble of the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, and Dr. Tara Mitchell Mielnik of the Historical Commission staff, for putting together a top-notch nomination!

Hot Off the Press! Nashville: The Occupied City

Stop by Sunnyside to pick up your copy of ***Nashville: The Occupied City, A Walking Tour of Civil War Nashville***. Featuring 19 different sites and historic districts in downtown Nashville, the tour begins at the Broadway/5th Avenue South Visitor Information Center, located at 501 Broadway in the Bridgestone Arena, and ends at the Richard H. Fulton Campus, 800 2nd Avenue South.

PRESERVATION AWARDS

Ongoing! 2012 Preservation Awards

The Metropolitan Historical Commission celebrated its 37th annual Preservation Awards program on May 31, 2012 at the Tennessee State Museum. Be sure to visit our website (www.nashville.gov/mhc/preservation_awards.asp) or our Facebook page to learn more about the winning properties and for details of the event.

CONFERENCES, EXHIBITS AND EVENTS

New! First Tuesday at the Archives

Tuesday, August 7—2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Metropolitan Government Archives

3801 Green Hills Village Drive

615-862-5880

The August “First Tuesday at the Archives” is coming up! This month, the Friends of the Metro Archives will host Major General George H. Thomas.

Late in 1864, the second largest Confederate army was routed from an entrenched position 2 miles south of Nashville and in 13 days it would be annihilated by General George H. Thomas’ patched together Union army.

Major General George H. Thomas will speak on some of the innovative ideas his Army of the Cumberland pioneered. Many of these were instrumental in the outcome of the war. He will also discuss his relationship with Governor and later President Andrew Johnson. General Thomas once predicted that time and history would do him justice; well, he will be here personally to do just that. Mrs. Frances Thomas will join General Thomas for this special event.

This event is free and open to the public.

New! Nashville City Cemetery Work Days

Interested in helping to clean up the City Cemetery? Please visit

www.thenashvillecitycemetery.org for the complete schedule of Hands On Nashville’s Clean Up Days at the Nashville City Cemetery {usually the second (or first)} Saturday of the month—9:00 to 11:00 a.m.}. The next work day is August 11.

New! Middle Tennessee Genealogical Society

“Discovering the Records of TN, KY and Whiskey Stills”

Saturday, August 11—10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

FiftyForward Knowles Center

174 Rains Avenue (across from the State Fairgrounds)

J. Mark Lowe, CG, FUGA, will discuss the records that tell the story of our Kentucky & Tennessee ancestors. Understand why our ancestors were searching for limestone-filtered flowing springs and abundant fruit and grain. Discover the Kentucky and Tennessee record groups that will help tighten migration travel routes and destinations. Registration is \$35.00 per person. To register contact Deborah Stillwell at 615-743-3487 or email dstillwell@fiftyforward.org. For more information, visit www.mtgs.org

New! Buchanan Log House Yard Sale

Saturday, August 18—7:00 a.m. to Noon

Buchanan Log House

2910 Elm Hill Pike

Stop by the Buchanan Log House on August 18th to shop several sales at once! Interested in volunteering? The log house needs assistance from 6:00 to 9:30 a.m. (to set up) and 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (to break down). Have items to sell? Proceeds from space rental will support programming and preservation of the Buchanan Log House.

For more information or to reserve a space, contact Judy Vecchione at 615-424-7548 or bjvecchione@comcast.net.

New! Music at the Mansion

Saturday, August 18—7 to 10 p.m.

Two Rivers Mansion

3130 McGavock Pike

Join The Friends of Two Rivers Mansion for Music at the Mansion! Enjoy “A Night of Blues” with The Andy T Band featuring James “Nick” Nixon, Tiger “Wild Animal” Gagan, and the Markey Blues Band. Bring your blanket, lawn chairs, playpens, and enjoy the evening. RoseMary Lane Catering will be on site with gourmet sandwiches, sides, and beverages to purchase. \$5 per person or \$20 per car—or free for Friends of Two Rivers members!

Visit www.friendsoftworiversmansion.org to learn more.

New! Curtain Call

Now through September 23, 2012

Nashville Public Library

615 Church Street

Take a break from the heat and stop by the Courtyard Gallery to view “Curtain Call,” an exhibit of Nashville’s Performing Arts and Entertainment history from The Special Collections of the Nashville Public Library, featuring photographs, memorabilia, and publicity of the eras.

Save these Dates!

Buchanan Log House Folk Festival: September 15—10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Learn more at www.buchananloghouse.com

Shelby Park Centennial Celebration: October 13—10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Learn more at www.Shelby100.com

The Metropolitan Historical Commission publishes this monthly newsletter to keep you informed on events and happenings at the MHC. If you have questions, comments, or news to pass along, please email scarlett.miles@nashville.gov, with E-NEWS in the subject line.